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SUBJ: INFORMAL PREPARATORY MEETING FOR GATT CONSULTATIVE GROUP
OF 18

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1. PATTERSON OF SECRETARIAT HAS STATED THAT U.S. SHOULD
BE PREPARED TO ADDRESS FOLLOWING ISSUES AT THE SEPTEMBER
27 MEETING MENTIONED IN REFTEL:

A. DOES U.S. INTEND PUT BOP ISSUES BACK BEFORE G-18?
IN VIEW OF STRONG NEGATIVE EC REACTIONS AT LAST G-18
MEETING TO EFFECT THAT BOP ISSUES BELONG IN MTN, PATTER-
SON SAYS U.S. NEEDS TO GIVE SPECIFIC INDICATION OF
WHETHER WE EXPECT CONTINUE PURSUE THIS ISSUE. THE
PREVIOUS G-18 SESSION LEFT THE MATTER SO THAT THE U.S.
HAS THE RIGHT TO PUT BOP ISSUES BACK IN G-18. (WE TOLD
PATTERSON WE EXPECTED U.S. WOULD WISH CONTINUE BOP
ISSUES IN G-18 BUT WOULD REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS.)

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B) PATTERSON WONDERS WHETHER U.S. PLANS PUT DISPUTE

SETTLEMENT ON AGENDA -- AND NOTED THIS IS PRTLY MTN
QUESTION -- BUT IF U.S. DOES PLAN TO DISCUSS IT AT
OCTOBER 25-27 G-18 MEETING, WE SHOULD BE PREPARED TO
SO INDICATE AT THE SEPTEMBER 27 MEETING.

2. WASHINGTON WILL RECALL THAT MATTER OF THE GROUP'S
REPORT TO THE COUNCIL WILL ALSO HAVE TO BE DISCUSSED;
WE SHOULD BE PREPARED ON SEPTEMBER 27 TO GIVE SOME
INDICATION OF THE LEVEL OF COVERAGE WE VIEW APPROPRIATE
FOR THIS REPORT.CATTO

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